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In re Patent Application of:  
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For: IMAGING DEVICE, AUTOMATIC  
FOCUSING METHOD AND RECORDING.  
MEDIUM ON WHICH A PROGRAM IS  
RECORDED

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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116**

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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated July 27, 2006, finally rejecting claims 1-5, 8-12  
15-29 and 21-23, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2  
of this paper.

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**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 10 of this paper. 01 FC:1202

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